

# Utah Artists Featured in New Store at Provo Towne Centre

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David Lindsley, Derek Hegsted, Chad Hawkins, and Del Parson are just some of the artists whose works will be prominently displayed in the new store Utah Artists Exclusive, which opened Nov. 5, in the Provo Towne Centre mall. The store, located near Dillards, is locally owned by Matt Kober.

Lindsley, Hegsted, Hawkins, and Parson all well known LDS artists, have won numerous awards and will display prints, canvas, and limited edition pieces. In addition, most will be on hand at scheduled times during the holiday season to sign the works.

While a majority of the merchandise in the new store is LDS related music, jewelry and sculptures, some of the works displayed will be of nature and family settings.

All work will be uplifting and LDS standards. Kober didn't stop at well-known artists though, when he was searching for his product lines.

"I went to the art departments of local universities, and have found several local artists that just don't have the name recognition, but their work is fantastic," says Kober. "The store will help to introduce their work to the public as well."

Kober also owns and operates a temporary kiosk at Provo Towne Centre with personalized name products called *Names and Things*.

"The customer tells me their name, I research the root of where the name originated, the meaning and then we print them on a nice background with a matted frame. It is a great gift," notes Kober.

In addition to the art store opening, *Bands and Batteries* opened at Provo Towne Centre in late October, selling watches and accessories.

Fifteen specialty merchants slated to open for the holidays include: *Aromalite* candles, *Geppetto* dolls and puppets, *Warm Hugs* sweaters and mugs, *Hair Diamonds*, *Hickory Farms*, *Western Nut*, *Mountain Loafer Camping Gear*, *Wilson's Leather*, *Traxx Scooters*, *Bungee Ball Toys*, *Fun Feet* novelty slippers, *Totally Nuts Gift Packs*, *Day by Day Calendars and Journals*, *Santa's Pen* selling holiday ornaments and *Luv 'N Stuff* plush animals.

Towne Centre is currently 96% leased, with additional stores scheduled to open in the near future. The mall is located at 1200 Towne Centre Boulevard in Provo and is owned by JP Realty, Inc.

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between \$10,000 and \$15,000 for charity, which includes: Sub for Santa, Primary Children's Hospital, Cancer, Heart, and last

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## This Week

### Scrapbook Classes

On Thursday, Nov. 24, go down to the Scrapstore at the Old Town Craft Mall in Heber and take a fun scrap book class! The class will run from 7:00-9:00 p.m. On Friday, Nov. 25, the class will be held from 7:00 p.m. until midnight. On Friday, remember to bring your own things from home to work on. Please enter through the back when attending these classes. On Saturday, Nov. 26, there will be a class on making pilgrims. Class times are 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. For more information call 654-0167.

### Snowflaker's Ball

On Thursday, November 23, come join the annual Snowflaker's Ball: Presented by Park City Ambassadors. Winter White Ball featuring cocktails, sit-down dinner, and dancing. Door prizes and best costume awards. Alternate contact - Kathy Herschberg at 435-649-6938. Call Judy Schuh 435-649-0784 for more info.

### Thanksgiving Buffet

Simon's Restaurant at the Homestead will serve a magnificent Thanksgiving buffet, featuring traditional Thanksgiving fare, extravagant desserts, salads, breads, and regional favorites. Reservations are required and are filling quickly!

# 20 Utah artists to display work

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To celebrate the Utah Arts Festival's 20th anniversary, curator David Sucec has invited 20 of Utah's finest visual artists to exhibit their work in EXHIBITION: 1996 "20/20."

The artists exhibiting their works represent the hundreds of visual artists who have participated in the Festival since its inaugural event on Main Street, in the summer of 1977. Sucec chose artists to give both a retrospective and an exciting update on Utah's fine arts scene.

According to Sucec, two important curatorial concerns of this exhibit were to include a range of art works created in several major media and to give recognition to Utah's more established visual artists — artists who have grown and developed along with the Utah Arts Festival in the last 20 years.

The exhibit which focuses on the best from the present and the past, also honors the late Don Olsen, who in the '50's and '60's brought the aesthetic and techniques of modern American painting to Utah. "Our contemporary visual arts community really owes

Olsen for his influence on the local art scene," says Sucec.

Artists who will be showing their works in EXHIBITION: 1996: "20/20" include: Von Allen, ceramic; Susan Beck, painting and drawing; Alison Berkey, sculpture; Alex Bigney, painting; Connie Borup, painting; Alice Brown, Wagner, mixed media; Anna Campbell Bliss, printmaking and mixed media; Brent Gehring, sculpture; Neil Hadlock, sculpture; Maggie Harrison, fiber; Paul Heath, mixed media; Cyn Jeppson, ceramics; Ray Jones, sculpture; Susannah Kirby, painting; Bob Kleinschmidt, printmaking; Arnie McNeel, sculpture and drawing; Sara Northerner, photography; F. Anthony Smith; Bonnie Sucec, works on paper; and, Richard Van Wagoner, painting.

EXHIBITION 1996: "20/20" will be held in the Union Pacific Depot gallery and open during the Utah Arts Festival hours with the exception of Thursday, June 27 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.. The Festival is open from noon to midnight Thursday, June 27 through Saturday, June 29, and from noon to 10 p.m. on Sunday, June 30.

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